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Note by the Secretariat

The Secretariat has the honour to bring to the attention of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management its report on new developments brought to the knowledge base for geospatial information management, which is available in the language of submission only from the website of the Committee (http://ggim.un.org/ggim_committee.html). The Committee of Experts is invited to take note of the report and to express its views on the way forward for the knowledge base, under the coordination of the Committee of Experts.

Summary of the report

At its third session, held in July 2013, the Committee of Experts, by decision 3/112, took note of the report of the Secretariat on the initiative to design and develop a knowledge base for geospatial information and to disseminate it through a web-based portal. The Committee invited Member States to provide feedback to the Secretariat on the structure of the knowledge base portal prototype, and requested the Secretariat to make the beta version of the portal operational after its third session.

The report of the Secretariat describes the new structure of the knowledge base and its content in terms of geospatial information themes presented by geographical level (global, regional and national), based on the comments received from Member States. The information, collected from the best practices, case studies and four survey-based studies compiled by countries, will be made available through the knowledge base. The report outlines the actions to be taken for the completion of a searchable and continuously updated repository, building on the existing resources of the website of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management.

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